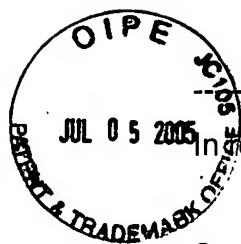


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RESPONSE

Sir,

This is in response to an Office Action mailed on April 21, 2005, allowing instant claims 10-20, rejecting instant claims 1-9, 21 and 22 and withdrawing claims 23-27 from consideration.

IN THE CLAIMS

Attached are AMENDED CLAIMS.

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